

LAMMICO Patient Safety Award & Grant Application

> 2023-24 TOPIC: Falls Prevention APPLICATION DUE DATE: MAY 31, 2024

Award Description

LAMMICO is committed to patient/resident safety and risk management. To promote our commitment to the healthcare community, LAMMICO sponsors the Patient Safety Award & Grant. The topic of this year's award is Falls Prevention. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers (ASC), and long-term care (LTC) facilities in Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas and Tennessee are eligible to apply for this award (refer to Eligibility). The award application period opens July 15, 2023, and ends May 31, 2024. Entries must be received by midnight of the posted application due date. Promotion is subject to local, state, and federal laws, and is void where prohibited. Application submission implies acceptance of and agreement with award rules and conditions.

Background Information

Preventing patient/resident falls is a top priority for patient/resident safety, patient/resident satisfaction, quality reputation and cost reduction. Patient/resident falls may result in injuries such as lacerations, fractures, intracranial bleeding and death. Compared to patients/residents who do not suffer falls, patients/residents with fall-induced injuries stay in the hospital longer and incur higher hospital costs. To decrease patient/resident falls in the hospital, ASC or LTC setting, a multifaceted approach with standardized and customized interventions is needed. Developing an evidence-based falls prevention program is essential.

LAMMICO's learning management system includes these educational activities. To access a learner activity, please use the following links:

- "Falls Prevention for All Hospital Staff" https://medicalinteractive.com/courses/50991
- "Falls Prevention for Nurses" <u>https://medicalinteractive.com/courses/50832</u>
- "Falls Prevention in LTC" https://medicalinteractive.com/courses/51371

All educational activities are offered free of charge to eligible facilities. These activities focus on information about falls, recommended interventions for falls prevention programs, and how staff can help prevent patient/resident falls.

Award Entry

No purchase is necessary to apply for the grant or to win. Eligible facilities will submit this application for award entry. After the staff in the eligible facility complete the educational activity, assess and analyze your current patient/resident fall rates to determine a baseline measurement.

Review your current policies, procedures, protocols and/or processes to identify opportunities for improvement to reduce the patient/resident fall rate and improve patient/resident safety. Assess and analyze your patient/resident fall rates after the implementation of changes. Report your changes and impact. To participate in the 2023-24 LAMMICO Patient Safety Award and Grant program, applicants are required to submit hard copy (print) or digital (electronic) examples of changes and improvements made

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to their current policy, procedure, protocol, and/or process and the amount of improvement that was realized in your patient/resident fall rates.

Eligibility

The award is open to hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, and long-term care facilities in Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas and Tennessee. Applicants are not required to be underwritten by LAMMICO to participate. Learn more about this year's program at <u>lammico.com/grant</u>.

Selection

To further enhance your efforts toward patient/resident safety, LAMMICO sponsors this Award and Grant for the hospital, ambulatory surgery center, or long-term care facility that demonstrates the best improvements (in policies, procedures, protocols and/or processes) related to a reduction in fall rates in patients/residents, as determined by a committee of LAMMICO Risk Management professionals. All judging decisions are final.

Prizes

The hospital, ambulatory surgery center or LTC facility that demonstrates the best improvements (in policies, procedures, protocols and/or processes) related to a reduction in patient/resident fall rates will be awarded:

- A **\$10,000** grant to the **winner** to be used for nursing professional development
 - One-year risk manager membership to the American Society for Health Care Risk Management (ASHRM) or LTC State Association Membership
 - One-year complimentary membership to Medical Interactive Community for all employees to access our risk management CME/CNE/MOC courses online
- A **\$5,000** grant to the **second place** participant to be used for nursing professional development
 - One-year risk manager membership to the American Society for Health Care Risk Management (ASHRM) or LTC state association membership
 - One-year complimentary membership to Medical Interactive Community for all employees to access our risk management CME/CNE/MOC courses online

Winner Notification

Winners will be notified within 15 days after the determination date. Employees of LAMMICO will communicate directly with winning facility representatives to coordinate prize distribution, announcements, and celebration logistics.

General Conditions

Contestants hereby grant LAMMICO a non-exclusive, perpetual, worldwide license to broadcast, publish, store, reproduce, distribute, syndicate, and otherwise use and exhibit the Submission (along with submitted names, motivational communication samples, voices, performance, images, and/or likenesses obtained as a result of this Submission) in all media for the purposes of trade or advertising without further compensation. The official rules are subject to modification by LAMMICO. In the event of a dispute, all decisions made by LAMMICO are binding and final.

Contact Information

Please contact LAMMICO's Hospital Risk Management Specialist, Lynne Vega, BSN, RN, CNOR (E) at <u>lvega@lammico.com</u> or 504.841.2738 for additional inquiries and to submit your application.

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Name of Organization		
Address of Organization		
Name of CEO		
Name & phone of CNO		Phone:
Name of Medical Director		•
Name of Risk Manager		
# of Beds	 Average Daily Census	

1.	Did staff complete the learning activity on patient/resident falls prevention? Yes or No (please circle). If yes, please provide the number of nurses and physicians who completed the activities.	RNs _LPNs MDs
2.	Describe the policy, procedure, protocol and/or process changes implemented after viewing the educational activity.	Please Circle Yes No
3.	Calculate patient/resident fall rates for 3-6 consecutive months prior to and post implementation of strategies/changes in policy, etc. and submit the percentage of improvement that was realized.	% Fall Rate Improvement
4.	Submit this signed attestation statement.	

I attest that the information provided above is correct and I have attached a copy of our Implemented strategies, policy changes, etc.

Signature _____

Date _____

Title _____